Additional Resources

More information?

In addition to the resources listed here, the study includes an extensive bibliography that can be found online at www.mtc.ca.gov/planning/smart_growth/

Bay Area Focused Growth is

a Web site developed by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) in concert with MTC, Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) and San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) to support the creation of complete, livable communities. Forums on key TOD issues are announced regularly at this site.

www.bayareavision.org

Key general resources

- Smart Growth America is a coalition of national, state and local organizations working to improve the ways we plan and build towns, cities and metro areas, and includes national organizations advocating on behalf of historic preservation, the environment, farmland, open space and neighborhood revitalization, see www.smartgrowthamerica.org
- Congress for New Urbanism is a non-profit organization of multi-disciplinary professionals, including planners, developers, architects, engineers, public officials, investors, and community activists, who promote walkable, neighborhoodbased, diverse, and sustainable development, see www.cnu.org
- The Urban Land Institute is a coalition of professional developers, planners and others involved in community building which provides leadership in the responsible use of land and in creating sustainable communities worldwide through extensive research and reporting on best practices, see, www.uli.org
- The Partnership for Sustainable Communities includes the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Housing and Urban Development and Department of Transportation,

working together to help communities grow in ways that expand economic opportunity, protect public health and the environment through research, tools, partnerships, case studies, grants, and technical assistance, see www.epa.gov/dced

Market Demand for TODs

- Transit Cooperative Research Board's 2008 publication entitled, *Transit Cooperative Research Program (TCRP) Report 123: Understanding How Individuals Make Travel and Location Decisions: Implications for Public Transportation* explores a broader social context for individual decision-making related to residential location and travel behavior. onlinepubs.trb.org/onlinepubs/tcrp/tcrp_rpt_123.pdf
- The 2007 report, *Center for TOD Demand Estimate*, identifies by U.S. city the number of households likely to be looking to rent or buy housing near transit. www.reconnectingamerica.org/public/display_asset/demestctod

Benefits of TODs

New Places, New Choices: Transit-Oriented Development in the San Francisco Bay Area (2006) is a publication issued by MTC to demonstrate the benefits of TODs. The document showcases 10 examples of transit-oriented districts and corridors. In words and full-page photos, the report makes the case for replicating these best practices around the region. www.mtc.ca.gov/planning/smart_growth/tod/TOD_Book.pdf

- TOD 101, Why Transit-Oriented Development And Why Now? (2007) by Reconnecting America is a colorful, 24-page picture book that explains what TOD is, how it benefits communities and how it can be an important affordability strategy for regions. www.reconnectingamerica.org/public/display_asset/tod101full
- Grow Smart, a Web site developed by the Greenbelt Alliance, provides information on the importance of sustainable growth patterns, and references tools and case studies useful to Bay Area governments interested in sustainable development. www.growsmartbayarea.org
- Transit Research Board's Transit Cooperative Research Program (TCRP) Report 128: Effects of TOD on Housing, Parking, and Travel compares automobile use among residents of TODs with those in conventional developments. The results showed TOD housing produced fewer automobile trips in the four urbanized areas studied. onlinepubs.trb.org/onlinepubs/tcrp/tcrp_rpt_128.pdf

Financing and Barriers to Implementation

■ Financing Transit-Oriented Development:
Policy Options and Strategies in the San Francisco Bay Area (2008) is a white paper written to help MTC consider alternative methods for providing regional funding for TODs in the San Francisco Bay Area. The report outlines the need for a funding source, provides case examples of other metropolitan planning organization programs and tackles key considerations in implementing a new program targeted to this purpose.

www.reconnectingamerica.org/public/reports

■ TRB's 2004 publication, Transit Cooperative
Research Program (TCRP) Report 102: TransitOriented Development in the United States:
Experiences, Challenges, and Prospects, details
the TOD institutional landscape, implementation
tools, funding, and barriers to TOD, as well as impacts on ridership and real estate markets. It offers in-depth case studies of TODs in 10 urban
areas in the United States. gulliver.trb.org/publications/tcrp/tcrp_rpt_102.pdf